



LOUISIANA US & R POSITION DESCRIPTIONS



GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The Task Force will maintain the following documents on all members

Application form/Employee Data Sheet
Respirator Fit Test
Letter of Commitment
Proof of legal background check
Medical clearance for US & R Operations and History Form

GENERAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

All Task Force members will be trained in the following

US & R Orientation
US & R Operations in a contaminated environment
Hazardous Materials to the Awareness level per NFPA 472
First aid/cardiopulmonary resuscitation/automatic external defibrillator use
Weapons of Mass Destruction Awareness (AWR 160)
Blood borne pathogens

POSITION SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Task Force Leader

Description of duties

Coordinate, manage, and supervise all Task Force activities
Supervise all Task Force managers
Ensure all Task Force organizational and logistical needs are met
Coordinate the use of ground, air, and watercraft in support of operations
Operate in austere environments without infrastructure
Receive briefings and ensure that all Task Force personnel are kept informed of mission objectives
Provide regular reports to the Incident Commander
Ensure all operations are conducted safely

Task Force Leader

Position requirements

NIMS Type I US & R Task Force Leader course
Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006
Incident Command System and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, and 809
Critical Incident Stress Management Training (Awareness level)

Demonstrated experience

3 years Incident Command level experience in emergency operations
3 years Technical rescue operational experience
1 year Search or Rescue Manager

Recommended training

EMT-Paramedic per the National Registry of EMTs
Hazardous Materials Technician per NFPA 472

Planning Team Manager

Description of duties

Develop and implement the Task Force Tactical Action Plan
Coordinate, manage, and supervise all Task Force planning activities
Determine the planning component organizational and logistics needs
Ensure that all planning personnel are kept informed of status changes
Provide the Task Force Leader with situation reports
Document all Task Force activities

Position requirements

US & R or ICS Planning Team course
Incident Command System and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, and 809
Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006

Logistics Team Manager

Description of duties

Coordinate, manage, and supervise all Task Force logistical activities
Ensure that all assigned personnel are kept informed of status changes
Maintain accurate and timely records and reports
Ensure all Task Force equipment is accounted for, maintained, and repaired
Manage the Task Force fleet

Logistics Team Manager

Position requirements

US & R Logistics Specialist course
Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006

Demonstrated experience

1 year as Logistics Specialist

Medical Team Manager

Description of duties

Develop and implement the medical portion of the Task Force Tactical Action Plan
Directly supervise the Medical Specialists
Assist in the development of Task Force safety procedures
Coordinate, manage, and supervise all Task Force medical activities

Medical Team Manager

Description of duties

Determine the Task Force medical organizational and logistical needs
Ensure that all medical personnel are kept informed of status changes
Provide reports to the Task Force Leader

Position requirements

Licensed Emergency Room Physician or
Licensed Physician certified in ATLS, ACLS, and PALS
Structural Collapse Awareness level per NFPA 1670
Incident Command System and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, and 809
Canine Emergency Medical Care course

Search and Rescue Manager

Description of duties

Manage and coordinate all Task Force operational functions
Assist in the development of Task Force Tactical Action Plan
Coordinate, manage, and supervise all functioning Task Force groups conducting search and rescue operations
Provide a Rapid intervention Plan for all search and rescue operations
Determine all search and rescue organizational and logistical needs
Ensure that all search and rescue personnel are kept informed of mission objectives and status changes
Provide the Task Force Leader with situation reports
Document all Task Force search and rescue activities
Ensure accountability of all issued equipment

Search and Rescue Manager

Position requirements

Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006
Surface Water Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006
Emergency Medical Technician per the National Registry of EMTs
Hazardous Materials Technician per NFPA 472
Incident Command System and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, and 809
Fire Officer III per NFPA 1021

Search and Rescue Manager***Demonstrated experience***

1 year Search/Rescue Team Leader
1 year Type I or II Fire Officer
3 years in technical rescue

Disaster Collapsed Structure Canine Search Manager***Description of duties***

Supervise Disaster Collapsed Structure Canine team members during Task Force operations

Position requirements

Structural Collapse Technician II per NFPA 1006
Disaster Canine Specialist course
NASAR or IPWDA or FEMA Type I Canine Specialist

Search and Rescue Team Leader***Description of duties***

Determine tactical, organizational, and logistical needs for mission specific tasks
Receive briefings and situation reports
Ensure that all Search and Rescue Team personnel are kept informed of mission objectives and status changes
Provide situation updates
Document all Search and Rescue Team activities
Account for all assigned personnel and maintain all Search and Rescue Team equipment
Provide a mission specific Rapid Intervention Plan

Position requirements

Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006
Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, 809
Fire Officer I and II per NFPA 1021

Search and Rescue Team Leader***Demonstrated experience***

2 years Rescue Specialist
1 year Fire Officer I or II

Rescue Specialist

Description of duties

Implement technical skills necessary for completing the rescue portion of the tactical action plan
Provide progress reports to the Search/Rescue Team Leader
Operate and maintaining rescue tools and equipment

Position requirements

Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006
First Responder per LABEMS standards
Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, 809

Canine Search Specialist

Description of duties

Search assigned structures, using appropriate canine search equipment and techniques
Document locations of alerts
Cooperate with and assist other search and rescue resources

Position requirements

FEMA/SUSAR Type II Canine Search Team
US & R Canine Search Specialist
Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, and Trench Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Technical Search Specialist

Description of duties

Search assigned structures, using appropriate technical search equipment and techniques
Document locations of alerts
Account for all issued equipment
Cooperate with and assist other search and rescue resources

Position requirements

US & R Technical Search Specialist
Structural Collapse, Rope, Confined Space, Trench, and Vehicle Rescue Technician II per NFPA 1006
Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, 809

Unmanned Vehicle Specialist

Description of duties

Conduct aerial reconnaissance
Search assigned areas using appropriate unmanned vehicles
Maintain accurate and timely records and reports
Cooperate with and assist other search and rescue resources

Position requirements

Obtain FAA Part 107 "Drone License"
Complete the LASFMO UAV Flight Training Course
1 years unmanned vehicle operation

Medical Specialist

Description of duties

Implement the medical action plans specified by the Medical Team Manager
Account for all issued equipment

Position requirements

EMT Paramedic per the National Registry of EMTs or
Licensed Physician's Assistant, Registered Nurse, or Registered Nurse Practitioner
BTLS, ACLS, and PALS
US & R Medical Specialist
Canine Emergency Medicine
Structural Collapse Awareness level per NFPA 1670
Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 700, 800

Clinical Specialist

Description of duties

Conduct pre-deployment assessments of Task Force personnel
Delivery of medical care to Task Force members and search dogs during Task Force operations
Account for all issued equipment

Position requirements

Licensed Emergency Room Physician
Licensed Physician certified in ATLS, ACLS, and PALS
Structural Collapse Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Clinical Specialist

Position requirements

Canine Emergency Medical Care course

Hazardous Materials Specialist

Description of duties

Provide initial and on-going surveys for the presence of hazardous materials during Task Force operations

Detect and identify hazardous materials present in the Task Force operational area

Direct the decontamination of any Task Force member

Perform mitigation operations

Provide assistance and information to medical personnel regarding chemical exposure and injuries

Document all related information

Position requirements

Hazardous Materials Technician per NFPA 472

Structural Collapse Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Rope Rescue Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Confined Space Rescue Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Trench Rescue Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Vehicle/Machinery Awareness level per NFPA 1670

Emergency Medical Technician per the National Registry of EMTs

WMD Specialist

Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 700, 800

Heavy Equipment and Rigging Specialist

Description of duties

Assess the hazards at disaster sites pertaining to the operations of heavy equipment

Assess the need for and capabilities of various types of heavy equipment to assist Task Force personnel

Preplan the disaster site for positioning and set up of heavy equipment

Identify rigging techniques to assist in the rescue of victims or stabilization of collapsed buildings

Coordinate efforts between Task Force personnel and heavy equipment operators

Assist the Task Force in procuring heavy equipment

Provide accountability, maintenance, and repairs for all issued equipment

Document all activities

Communications Specialist

Description of duties

Keep the Logistics Manager informed of the capabilities and/or limitations of Task Force communications
Develop and implement the Task Force Incident Communications Plan
Install and operate the Task Force communications system
Account for all issued equipment
Document all activities
Coordinate communications with all outside agencies during Task Force operations

Position requirements

US & R Communications Specialist
Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 700, 800

Technical Information Specialist

Description of duties

Gather information requested by the Planning Team Manager from all available resources
Track all operational Task Force resources

Position requirements

US & R Planning Team Course
Structural Collapse Technician II per NFPA 1006
Incident Command and NIMS courses IS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 703, 800, 809

Safety Officer

Description of duties

Oversee all safety issues affecting Task Force personnel during operations
Coordinate all safety issues with Task Force Team Managers
Conduct and document a site safety analysis
Implement preventative safety measures
Develop safety messages and conduct safety briefings
Establish and implement a Personnel Accountability System during Task Force Operations
Immediately intervene to prevent loss of life or injury
Conduct incident/accident investigations

Position requirements

NIMS Type I Safety Officer course